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1. The Factory for Devices for the Testing of Materials (Anyagvizsgáló Készülékek Gyára), which was founded in 1949, produces:
 - a. Machines for the testing of the strength of leather.¹
 - b. Machines for the testing of the strength of textile yarns.¹ 25X1
 - c. Precision balances for post offices.
 - d. Scales with up to one-ton capacity.
2. The factory consists of five buildings located at various places in District XIV, in Budapest:
 - a. The main building is situated at 56 Lőcsei ut; a three-story structure of about 80 m. length and 25 m. width. The second and third story house the management and most of the administration of the works, while the first floor serves as a large production hall containing all the heavy machinery for the production of component parts. The equipment includes ordinary and turret lathes, boring machines, and other machinery for metal processing. The entire equipment is new.
 - b. The second building is at 39 Telepes utca, an old single-floor structure, 120 m. by 40 m. It houses the department for the assembly of the machines for the testing of textile yarns and leather.
 - c. The third building of the works is located at 18-20 Jávorka Ádám utca. This building was only erected in 1954, a ground-floor structure about 100 m. by 50 m. large, with a flat roof. Part of the building houses the carpentry department, which makes cases, the remainder serves as the packing department for the entire factory. The mechanical equipment in this building consists of two electric saws only.

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- d. The fourth building of the factory is at 59 Lőcsei ut. It was completed in October 1954; the construction work had taken a year and a half. It is a one-floor structure of about 120 m. by 60 m. It houses the department for the production of balances and the technical department. The latter employs about 50 engineers, technicians, and draughtsmen.
- e. The fifth building of the works, a new one-story structure, is about 50 m. by 30 m. large, and is located at the intersection of Cobor utca and Fűrészt utca. The first floor houses the repair shop for the machinery of the works, while the second story is occupied by further administrative offices.
3. The factory has a staff of about 675 persons, including approximately 120 technical and administrative employees. The breakdown of workers into sections is given approximately as follows:
 - a. Building No. 1, in the component-part production, employs 120 workers in two shifts (from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.).
 - b. Building No. 2, employs 90 workers, in two shifts.
 - c. Building No. 3, 55 workers, in one shift (from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.) including 32 in the carpentry shop and 23 in the packing department.
 - d. Building No. 4, 150 men, in two shifts.
 - e. Building No. 5, 60 men in two shifts, in the repair shop.
4. About two thirds of the production of the factory are exported. The machines for the testing of leather and textile yarns go mainly to China; the precision balances mainly to China, East Germany, Rumania, and Poland.
5. The machines for the testing of materials weigh five tons each. They are transported to the railroad station on two trucks of the factory, one - with a trailer - of 10 tons capacity, and the second of 5 tons. The shipments leave the factory twice a week.
6. Security precautions are strictly observed at the factory.

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1. These machines are called in Hungarian "szakítógépek" (i.e. tensile testing-machines).

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